

Design S9380

Bird



Size: Approx 17 x 15 cm.

Materials: 25 g each of **Schachenmayr Baby Smiles Lenja Soft** (100% polyester; 25 g = 85 m) in col 01035 Pink and col 01090 Grey.
Size 4 mm needles.
50 g of fiber fill.

Stockinette: K on RS, p on WS.

Garter st: K every row.

SKP: Slip 1 st as if to knit, k1, pass slipped st over knitted st.

Short rows with 'double st': Turn work after having worked the number of sts indicated in pattern.

Slip first st as if to purl with yarn in front of work, bring yarn to back of work over top of the needle and pull it very tightly; this will rotate the st to the back of the needle so that both 'legs' of the st from the row below are now on the needle.

On foll rows, work to 'double st' (= 2 loops on needle), insert right needle into both loops and knit or purl as you would normally.

Gauge: 20 sts and 29 rows = 10 x 10 cm in stockinette.

Instructions

Body: Cast on 20 sts with Grey. Next, work in garter st and work short-rows as foll:

Row 1 (WS): K20.

Row 2 (RS): K12, turn work.

Row 3: Work 'double st', k5, turn work.

Row 4: Work 'double st', k7, turn work.

Row 5: Work 'double st', k9, turn work.

Row 6: Work 'double st', k11, turn work.

Row 7: Work 'double st', k13, turn work.

Row 8: Work 'double st', k15, turn work.

Row 9: Work 'double st', k17, turn work.

Row 10: K20.

Work rows 1 – 10 a total of 12 times, then bind off all sts.

Head: With Grey, pick up and k 24 sts along short right edge of body and work in stockinette as foll:

Row 1 (WS): P2tog 12 times = 12 sts.

Row 2 (RS): K1f&b in every st = 24 sts.

Rows 3 – 7: Work in stockinette.

Row 8: K2, * k2tog, k4; rep from * twice more, k2tog, k2 = 20 sts.

Rows 9 – 11: Work in stockinette.

Row 12: K1, * k2tog, k2; rep from * 3 times more, k2tog, k1 = 15 sts.

Row 13: P15.

Row 14: * K1, k2tog; rep from * 4 times more = 10 sts.

Row 15: P2tog 5 times = 5 sts.

Cut yarn, draw yarn end through remaining 5 sts and pull tight.

Wings (make 2): With Pink, cast on 7 sts and work in garter st as foll:

Row 1 (WS): K7.

Row 2 and all foll RS rows: Knit all sts.

Row 3: * K3, yo; rep from * once more, k1 = 9 sts.

Row 5: * K4, yo; rep from * once more, k1 = 11 sts.

Row 7: * K5, yo; rep from * once more, k1 = 13 sts.

Row 9: * K6, yo; rep from * once more, k1 = 15 sts.

Row 11: SKP, k11, k2tog = 13 sts.
Row 13: SKP, k9, k2tog = 11 sts.
Row 15: SKP, k7, k2tog = 9 sts.
Row 17: K7, k2tog = 8 sts.
Row 19: K6, k2tog, = 7 sts.
Row 21: K5, k2tog = 6 sts.
Row 23: K4, k2tog = 5 sts.
Row 25: K3, k2tog = 4 sts.
Row 27: K2, k2tog = 3 sts.
Row 29: Slip 1 st as if to knit, k2tog, pass slipped st over knitted st. Cut yarn, draw yarn end through remaining st.

Beak: With Pink, cast on 13 sts and work in stockinette as foll:

Row 1 (RS): K13.
Row 2 (WS): P13.
Row 3: ★ K1, k2tog; rep from ★ 3 times more, k1 = 9 sts.
Row 4: P9.
Row 5: K2tog 4 times, k1 = 5 sts.
Row 6: P5.
Row 7: K2tog, k1, k2tog = 3 sts.
Row 8: P3.
Row 9: Slip 1 st as if to knit, k2tog, pass slipped st over knitted st. Cut yarn, draw yarn end through remaining st.

Tail: With Pink, cast on 12 sts and work in garter st for 6 cm, ending with a WS row. Next RS row: K2tog 6 times = 6 sts. Next WS row: Bind off all sts.

Finishing

Sew seam at back of body and head, leaving seam at bottom of body unsewn. Sew on wings, using photo as guide.

Close bottom seam of beak and lightly stuff with fiber fill. Sew beak to head. Stuff head and body with fiber fill and sew bottom seam of body. Sew on tail, approx. 5 cm up from bottom of body, using photo as guide.

Abbreviations

K = knit
 K1f&b = knit into front and back of same st
 P = purl
 RS = right side
 st(s) = stitch(es)
 WS = wrong side
 yo = yarnover